

## Bipartisan Infrastructure Law

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Listening Session 2 of 3

### **Listening Sessions**

December 17, 2021

Water Storage, Groundwater Storage, Water Conveyance

Assistance for groundwater recharge, aquifer storage and source substitution



## Water Storage, Groundwater Storage, and Conveyance Projects

#### **Eligible Projects**

- Storage/conveyance projects with existing feasibility study or construction authorization
- Secretary must determine the project feasible and with benefits proportionate to federal investment.

#### **Cost Share**

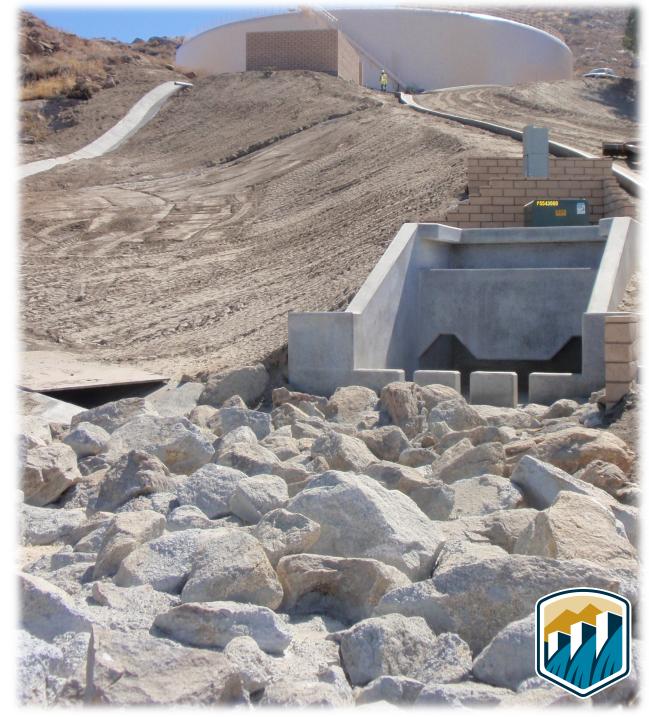
- 75% minimum non-Federal cost share required for non-Federal projects
- 50% minimum non-Federal cost share required for federally owned projects

Funding

• \$1.05B

Section

40901(1), 40902



## Small Water Storage & Groundwater Storage Projects

Competitive Grant Program

#### **Eligible Entity**

 Non-Federal project sponsor in Reclamation States including Alaska and Hawaii (Indian Tribes, municipalities, water districts, NGOs, etc.)

#### Eligible Projects

- Storage capacity between 2,000 acre-feet 30,000 acre-feet; and
  - increases surface water or groundwater storage; or
  - conveys water, directly or indirectly, to or from surface water or groundwater storage.

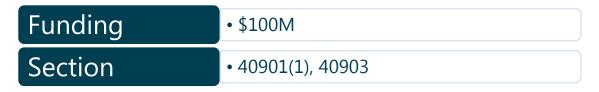
#### **Cost Share**

Minimum 75% non-Federal cost share required

#### **Awards**

- Up to 25% of total project costs
- Maximum of \$30 M per project

Funding opportunity announcement expected in calendar year 2022.





# Assistance for groundwater recharge, aquifer storage and source substitution

#### **Eligible Entities**

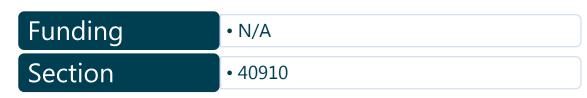
• Indian Tribes, States (including subdivision and departments of a State), or a public agency organized pursuant to State law.

#### **Eligible Projects**

- Reclamation to provide technical and/or financial assistance for groundwater recharge, aquifer storage and recovery, or water source substitution for aquifer protection.
- Financial Assistance for construction: Secretary must determine the project feasible and with benefits proportionate to federal investment.
  - Projects with total estimated cost of \$500 M+ require Congressional authorization.
- Technical Assistance: Standard process.

#### **Cost Share**

- 75% minimum non-Federal cost share required for non-Federal projects
- 50% minimum non-Federal cost share required for federally owned projects





### Questions

- Next Session is on January 7, 2022
  - Sections 40901 (authorization of appropriations, rural water, all), 40904 (critical maintenance/aging infrastructure), 40909 (use of coronavirus recovery funds) and Division G (Indian Water Rights Settlement Completion fund)

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